

THE CHAMPIONS IN COUNCIL

RAILROAD ACCIDENTS.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BALL PLAYERS IN TOWN.

The National Game is represented in a General Congress. A Defaulting Treasurer-Election of Officers. A Trial of Professional Ball Players—Mischievousness of the Games.

The base ball-champions composing the National Association of Base Ball Players, being delegates from the several State Associations, assembled in their fourteenth annual meeting yesterday. About forty-five delegations sat together in an uptown hotel, a little off Madison, and proceeded to business.

In the course of the day others found out the meetings and dropped in, so that before night there were forty-five delegations in the room, representing various parts of the country, though not delegations.

The reading of the minutes called out the Hon. Jas. W. White, Chapman, Doctor of the New York University, who intimated that some unknown person had

MUTILATED THE CONSTITUTION.

No inquiry was found that the Association was in possession of no certified copy of such an important instrument, and its records do nothing either to sustain or disprove Mr. White's charge, which was thereupon dropped.

Having failed of success in this, Mr. White, as the champion boss of the meeting, next announced that the ex-Treasurer of the Association was a defaulter. This created a stir, and drew forth many inquiries for information. The Committee reported the subject to the Association, and the treasurer being called for, no one stepped forward to represent him. The Secretary was called on for information. It was then explained that it was the Treasurer of Isaac Mortimer M. Rogers of Boston, who

THE CHAMPION DREAMER.

A Poor Woman's Milk Bill—How Judge Hogan Disposed of Mr. Vandendorf.

Catherine Sheridan, an elderly woman, was assigned before Justice Hogan at the Tombs, yesterday, charged by J. S. Vandendorf, of 365 Broadway, with disorderly conduct in his office. Catherine stood before the Judge with tears in her eyes, and, after begging his Honor not to believe anything that Mr. Vandendorf had said, she began:

"I live at Ravelston, L. I., and make a living by keeping cows and selling milk. When Mr. Vandendorf kept a boarding house in my neighborhood he supplied my family with milk every morning. He let his bill run up to \$30, and whenever I asked him to pay it he would tell me to wait until we got ready.

I was in need of the money, and Mr. Vandendorf's parson advised me to come down to the office to collect my debt. Mr. Vandendorf wouldn't even then pay the bill, and told me to prove that he owed me \$30, or to sue him. I didn't want to do this, and so I went to the attorney of his, and he told me,

"Mr. Vandendorf is on his way to collect whether she can come down to the office to collect the money or to make a disturbance, answered that this had nothing to do with him.

"She has no right to come to my office and demand her money in a disorderly manner," he rejoined.

"She is a poor woman," answered the Justice, "and came to you to get what rights she had, and will therefore discharge her."

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THE CHAMPION FAT MAN.

of the Association, rose. He was a veritable four-pounder, of sombre origin, and very fat, with a broad back, and a pair of whiskers and eyebrows that were somewhat prominent. His waist was somewhat reduced, a single button only covering over the number of whiskers it contained.

He was a man of great wealth, but he wanted to know what became of the money. There was no record before the meeting showing that he ever had any money, nor had he ever received a cent since he came here to make his fortune. He didn't think that was doing business as it should be done. However, he would pay once more, but there was a better system hereafter.

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THE CHAMPION MORAL DEFENDER.

of the Association, offered the following:

Resolved, That this Association regard the custom of paying respects and offering gifts to the best interests of the nation.

This resolution called forth a protracted discussion, in which all the champion speakers hereafter referred:

BOSSES' LIBERALITY.

Mr. Whiley, the champion boss, opposed it. For the Minutemen he said they were not bad players for money-making purposes. The expenses were heavy, but the money was spent for the benefit of their friends. Mr. Twedt had contributed \$1,000 toward their expenses during the past year. Mr. Whitney and Mr. Johnson gave \$1,000. The club was no more a gambling club; they never made money by gambling.

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THE CHAMPION ANTI-SLAVERY MAN.

He said that Mr. Twedt probably got his money back again. He favored the resolution.

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AN EX-CHAMPION CRICKETER.

A true blue John Bull defended the Wrights. He didn't blame them for making a hole in the sun when he was caring they would do nothing.

Mr. Twedt, in sentencing Ferguson, Judge Bedford said:

"You are the most despicable villain in the service of Wart, and the leader of a gang of thieves and highwaymen. I intend to give you such a sentence as will make that gang of rascals never be seen again.

Queen Victoria and daughters have four special dressmakers between them.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVED OUT.

Hugh Ferguson, the leader of the infamous "Nineteenth street gang," was convicted yesterday in the General Sessions of robbing Adolphus Peter. In sentencing Ferguson, Judge Bedford said:

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THE CHAMPION PRACTICAL DENTIST.

Mr. Heimbold, also defended the Wrights. Mr. McLean is a young man of small stature, good looks, and wears a black coat, white vest, dove-colored pants, a diamond ring, and a croissant of diamonds. He said that he was square with the Wrights, and knew them to be square men.

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THE CHAMPION BASE-BALL REPORTER.

Submitted a report from the Committee on the Anti-Slavery and Anti-Schulz, the principal of which was:

Fitz, a man of about 5 ft., 4 in., whose circumstances are such that he is compelled to work hard, and to wear such clothes that he has not more than \$100 in his pocket, and is compelled to live in a shanty, preparing some dried fish for the market, the female portion of his family having to go to work to support him.

He is the man of the month, and the champion declared that he was the champion.

A nice little stretch of spring ground is being laid out on Pitt Avenue from Mount Morris square to the intersection of Pitt and Franklin, in Pitt. He carried Mr. Burks, the champion of the anti-slavery and professional players, to the intersection of Pitt and Franklin, and the champion of the anti-slavery and professional players, Mr. Burks, of Philadelphia, announced his decision to give up the game.

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